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Absentee Voting Underway for November 3 Election

Absentee voting for the Nov. 3 election is underway. Registered voters unable to go to the polls on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot by mail or in person, if they are:

- A student or the spouse of a student attending a school outside Falls Church City
- Away from Falls Church City on business
- Working and commuting for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Away from Falls Church City on personal business or vacation
- Unable to go to the polls because of illness, disability or pregnancy
- The primary caretaker of a confined family member
- Religious obligation
- Confined awaiting trial
- Confined having been convicted of a misdemeanor
- An election official
- On active duty in the military outside Falls Church City
- A spouse or dependent residing with a member of the military outside Falls Church City
- An overseas citizen whose most recent United States residence was in Falls Church City

To vote absentee in-person, visit the Office of Voter Registration (300 Park Ave., Suite 101 East), fill out the absentee voting application, and vote on the e-Slate voting machine (the same type of machine as the one used at the polls on Election Day). The Office of Voter Registration is open for in-person absentee voting Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and on Saturday, Oct. 24 and Saturday, Oct. 31 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

To vote absentee by mail, obtain an application at the Office of Voter Registration or online at www.fallschurchva.gov/vote. The Registrar will then send an absentee ballot which must be marked and mailed back in time to reach the electoral board before the polls close on Election Day.

Voters should note the following dates:

- Tuesday, Oct. 27: deadline for receipt by the General Registrar of absentee ballot applications sent by mail or by fax.
- Saturday, Oct. 31: Final day to vote absentee in-person at the Office of Voter Registration.
- The office will be open for absentee voting Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Saturdays Oct. 24 and Oct. 31, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

New hours for the Office of Voter Registration are as follows: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The Registrar's Office will be closed when the City of Falls Church Government is closed.

For more information or to sign up to serve as an Officer of Election, contact 703-248-5085 (TTY 711) or vote@fallschurchva.gov.

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